The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes Minutes

Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting

CKLEAC2018-002
Thursday, March 29, 2018
6:30 P.M.
Economic Development Boardroom
Economic Development
180 Kent Street West, Lindsay, Ontario

Members:

Councillor Gord Miller

Susan Blayney

Josh Feltham

Denis Grignon

Douglas Lowles

Deborah Pearson

Julie Petit Kerr

Karl Repka

Pat Warren

Virginia Colling

Holly Shipclark

Accessible formats and communication supports are available upon request.

1. Call to Order

Chair P. Warren called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. Chair P. Warren, Vice Chair S. Blayney, D. Lowles, D. Grignon, K. Repka, D. Pearson, J. Feltham and H. Shipclark were in attendance.

Staff present were Manager of Planning R. Holy and Recording Secretary W. Ellis.

Absent: Councillor G. Miller, J. Petit Kerr and Virginia Colling.

2. Administrative Business

2.1 Adoption of Agenda

Moved By S. Blayney **Seconded By** D. Pearson

That the March 29, 2018 Agenda as amended, be adopted as printed.

Carried

2.2 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Chair P. Warren declared a conflict to Item 6.1 due to nominating a person for the 2017 Environmental Hero of the Year Award.

- 2.3 Adoption of Minutes
- 2.3.1 CKLEAC2018-02.2.3.1

January 18, 2018 Draft Minutes

Moved By D. Lowles

Seconded By S. Blayney

That the January 18, 2018 Draft Minutes be adopted as printed.

Carried

- 3. Deputations/Presentations
- 4. Correspondence
- 5. Action Item Updates
- 5.1 CKLEAC Work Plan Updates by Project Team Leaders

R. Holy advised he will electronically distribute all the Work Plan templates to everyone.

Vice Chair S. Blayney had e-mailed her Work Plan to R. Holy but stated that the Seed Garden has been changed to Pollinator Patches. Vice Chair S. Blayney noted this item is a partnership with KRCA and is a multi-year project.

Chair P. Warren advised that she will revise project to focus on a the Tree Cutting By-law, completing the research this year for completion in 2019 when there is a new Council.

- R. Holy stated that the Tree Cutting is a defined action within the Municipal Act and it is necessary that the City has a Tree Cutting By-law to control this activity. R. Holy suggested to include this item in the 2018 Work plan.
- D. Lowles is Chairing the Tree Cutting project and has included this item in his 2018 Work Plan. D. Lowles will be completing the research in 2018 and bringing forward the project to the new Council in 2019.
- R. Holy noted that Director C. Marshall has information to share on the Tree Cutting By-law from his former position in Huntsville.

Chair P. Warren advised that there is a \$1,000 grant available from Hydro 1 for trees and shrubs. Chair P. Warren would like to include this project around the Bobcaygeon Earth Day event on Thursday, April 19th as an engagement piece. She noted that there are activities planned at the school in the morning and in the afternoon everyone will go to the Wilderness Park and a few people will teach the children to plant the pollinator patch. Chair P. Warren will consult with the school and Environmental Action Bobcaygeon as well. She stated there will be approximately 100 children attending but although this is not a public event but if anyone would like to participate in this event you are welcome. She will ask for Hydro 1 for permission to plant perennials, bushes or shrubs. Hopefully they will provide the plants at cost. Chair P. Warren noted CKLEAC has a budget and Environmental Action Bobcaygeon has funds available asked Vice Chair S. Blayney if she would attend on behalf of Bee City.

Chair P. Warren will be attending the Healthy Environment Plan Committee meeting to see what initiatives our Committee can contribute to their Action Plan.

D. Lowles is involved with Watershed Welcome project and are looking for more volunteers. They will be meeting at the KRCA building on April 10th at 6:30 p.m. S. Schell from the Real Estate Board delivered all of the packages and she is looking forward to assemblying more. D. Lowles would like to include information in the Waste Calendar by adding some dates and adding rural

stewardship for water wells. D. Lowles will provide an update in December and will e-mail his Work plan to R. Holy.

- H. Shipclark reminded that this project is a partnership between CKLEAC and KRCA and it is important to add this into the Work plan.
- D. Grignon will be working with D. Kerr in Environmental Services on the roads cleanup project. D. Grignon has a few ideas and will forward his Adopt a Road Program as part of his Work Plan to R. Holy or W. Ellis.
- H. Shipclark will be working on the Invasive Species project. J. Petit Kerr will be helping on this project and D. Pearson and V. Colling have been asked to help if they are available. H. Shipclark will be working on the Outreach and Stewardship Plan early this year and will forward the Plan to Council in 2019. She will submit her Work Plan to R. Holy.
- J. Feltham's Work Plan is the Management Plan for Protective Species. There is a particular site that is used and the students at the College will do background research from January to April each year. He noted there are multiple sections of students that sign up for a particular site.
- S. Blayney asked if she could be reimbursed for attending a Bee City Conference that cost \$150.00.

Moved By J. Feltham **Seconded By** D. Pearson

That CKLEAC cover the cost of \$150.00 for S. Blayney attending the Growing the Native Plant Industry Conference.

Carried

- S. Blayney talked to Ministry of Environemtn and Climate Change representatives regarding the seed mixes for the landfills and their need to approve this initiative.
- S. Blayney reached out to K. Maloney in Economic Development to raise an item with the Agricultural Development Advisory Board. Vice Chair S. Blayney stated the monarch butterflies are laying their eggs on land strips instead of the fields. A survey has been done through the Ontario Nature but more research has come from Guelph University. Vice Chair S. Blayney commented that this could be a pilot project.

Vice Chair S. Blayney has worked with the Community Engagement Committee creating mailing lists for Bee City. Vice Chair S. Blayney stated on May 20th is

World Bee Day and we will be registering pollinator patches and gardens on a google map.

K. Repka suggested that we approach dairy suppliers such as Mariposa and Kawartha Dairy to distribute information to the local farmers.

K. Repka advised the LID project will be discontinued since the municipality will be working on this initiative. K. Repka's idea for a Work Plan is for the Environmental Advisory Committee to forward recommendations to a consulting team on development and partnerships and to consider other Environmental Advisory Committees in different areas. K. Repka noted at each meeting to place an agenda item regarding one or two initiatives the Environmental Advisory Committee are working on in Ontario. K. Repka commented that an Environmental Advisory Committee Conference is held as well.

K. Repka currently working on a few projects: one project is the accessibility issue for the ICSP on the Lindsay downtown businesses. K. Repka noted that Stop Gap is a highly painted ramp to be installed in the downtown area. K. Repka is focusing on Lindsay right now but could extend the project to the City of Kawartha Lakes with the assistance of Barb Condie, Accessibility Co-ordinator with the City.

6. New or Other Business

6.1 CKLEAC2018-02.6.1

2017 Environmental Hero of the Year Award

The Committee reviewed all of 2017 Environmental Hero of the Year Award nominations. The members agreed to hold J. Taylor's nomination of Langton Public School until September for the 2017 Youth Environmental Hero of the Year Award and to let J. Taylor know of the Committee's decision.

The Committee agreed that the nomination put forward by Judy Kennedy to nominate Candace Milroy was their first choice and agreed to wait until after March 30th to see if any further nominations were received. Chair P. Warren suggested that if following March 30th no further nominations are received, the Committee will vote by e-mail.

6.2 CKLEAC2018-02.6.2

Green Initiatives Map

J. Feltham advised that the Green Initiatives Map promotes the sustainability initiative and any area on the map can be highlighted. J. Feltham is hoping to

have this map placed on the City Website. J. Feltham noted that J. Petit Kerr, D. Grignon and himself are meeting with C. Davidson next Thursday at 4 p.m. to have items placed on the Website.

6.3 CKLEAC2018-02.6.3

Climate Change

D. Pearson advised that she and V. Colling will be making a presentation at the Lindsay Library on April 21st on Climate Change and they will also be visiting some of the Library branches to make the same presentations.

Chair P. Warren suggested making a presentation to Council as well.

6.4 CKLEAC2018-02.6.4

Recycling - Education Campaign

D. Lowles asked what happens to items that are placed in the blue recycle bins. D. Lowles stated that we need to reduce environmental costs and perhaps re-use glass containers instead of recycling and also create an education campaign on this issue.

Chair P. Warren advised that J. Petit Kerr is working on retrieving a list of different products and how to recycle them. There is a possibility of having a workshop or an education piece to send out to the public.

H. Shipclark suggested talking to O. Vigelius from Public Works about this matter. Since timing is certainly an issue, perhaps this item could be revisited after the summer.

6.5 CKLEAC2018-02.6.5

Organics Project - composting

K. Repka provided a brief summary on the Peterborough Organics composting project.

7. Closed Session

8. Next Meeting

Chair P. Warren advised that the next scheduled CKLEAC meeting will be held on Thursday, May 24, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Economic Development Boardroom.

9. Adjournment

Moved By S. Blayney Seconded By J. Feltham

That the CKLEAC meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Carried